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APPEAL BRIEF

This is an appeal from the Final Rejection dated September 5, 2007 finally rejecting claims 1 and 7. Claims 1 and 7 are being appealed, claims 8 and 9 having been withdrawn from consideration but subject to rejoinder. The appealed claims are set out in Appendix J. Appellants filed a Notice of Appeal pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.191 on January 28, 2008.

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(C) Real Party In Interest

The owner of the present application and the invention contained therein is ROHM AND HAAS COMPANY.

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(D) Related Appeals, Interferences or Judicial Proceedings

No appeals, interferences or judicial proceedings are known to Appellants, the Appellants' legal representative, or the assignee which will directly affect or be directly affected by or have a bearing on the Board's decision in the pending appeal.

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(E) Status Of Claims

The status of the claims is as follows:

Claims pending: 1 and 7

Allowed claims: none

Claims objected to: none

Claims canceled: 2 through 6

Claims rejected: 1 and 7

Claims on appeal: 1 and 7.

Claims withdrawn from consideration by the Examiner: 8 and 9.

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(F) Status Of Amendments

No amendments were filed subsequent to Final Rejection.

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(G) Summary of Claimed Subject Matter

- Claim 1. The present invention provides a composition comprising two individual polymers which provides flexibility and durability to a hair style while retaining other beneficial hair fixative properties [Page 2, lines 15-18]:
 - a) a first polymer or polymer mixture with a glass transition temperature ("Tg") from 75° C to 130° C; [Page 3, lines 18-19]
 - b) a second polymer or polymer mixture with a Tg from 20° C to 35°C [Page 3, lines 19-21]; and
 - c) one or more cosmetically acceptable solvents; Page 2, line 22; Page 9, lines
 1-9]
 - wherein when the first polymer or polymer mixture and the second polymer or polymer mixture are dissolved together in a cosmetically acceptable solvent, which may be the same as or different than the solvent in c), and then dried to form a film, the film has a tensile storage modulus at 20° C of from 1x10¹⁰ Pascal to 1x10⁸ Pascal and a storage modulus at 70° C of from 1x10⁹ Pascal to 1x10⁶ Pascal; [Page 2, lines 25-30; Page 5, lines 25-29] and
 - wherein the first polymer and the second polymer are independently selected from block, graft, and branched homopolymers and copolymers derived from one or more monomers [Page 3, lines 25-27] selected from methacrylic acid; acrylic acid; methacrylate esters, acrylate esters, styrene, substituted styrenes, vinyl esters of organic acids, N-vinyl compounds, acrylamide; methacrylamide; substituted acrylamides, amine-functional acrylamides, substituted methacrylamides; hydroxylalkyl methacrylates, hydroxylalkyl acrylates, dienes, vinyl ethers, acid containing monomers, and functional monomers selected from maleic acid, maleic anhydride, fumaric acid, α-methylene glutaric acid, itaconic acid, itaconic anhydride, citraconic acid, mesaconic acid, cyclohexenedicarboxylic acid, 2-acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acid, monoacryloxyethyl, and water-soluble salts thereof. [Page 3, line31 to Page 4, line14]